Abstract

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The invention provides a method and system for creating and customizing a
home page that is used in conjunction with a technique for dynamically trading knowl-
edge and services. A provider of knowledge, goods or services could request a home
page on a web site dedicated to dynamically providing goods and services. Upon re-
ceiving the request, the provider of knowledge, goods or services is given the opportunity
to create a specially customized home page. This homepage provides prospective buyers
with some or all of the following information: the name of the provider, the type of prod-
uct, the amount of product available, a way of categorizing the product, a description, a
fixed price, optional goods or services and other related information that would be helpful
to those trying to identify providers of good and services and select among them. A pro-
vider of goods and services is guided through a step-by-step procedure, during which the
provider is presented with a number of mandatory information fields that are used in cre-
ating a customized home page. In addition to including the mandatory fields, the cus-
tomized home page could include a number of optional fields that would better highlight
the goods and services. For example, the provider could decide to display optional fields
in his home page (in addition to the mandatory ones), create and display several different
types of fields, including drop-down menus, check boxes, radio groups, text labels,
scrolling text boxes and text boxes, create and save forms that can be attached to each
service provided (for example, order forms, customer identification forms and credit his-
tory forms), create and display multiple services in a single home page.